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Application Serial No. 10/630,097

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:	)	
HOOKER, Jeffrey D.	)	
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Serial No.: 10/630,097	)	
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Filed: 29 JULY 2003	)	Art Unit: 1621
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For: APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR	)	
THE PRODUCTION OF FATTY ACID	)	
ALKYL ESTER	)	
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**37 C.F.R. § 1.115(a) PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Honorable Commissioner:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.115(a), Applicant respectfully requests submits this Preliminary Amendment prior to the receipt of a first Office Action on the merits of the present application. This Preliminary Amendment is submitted in compliance with the revised format for making amendments as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.121.